

Chicopee Historical Commission Voting Record and Minutes

The Planning Board of the City of Chicopee public hearing for Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 4:00 PM, RiverMills Senior Center, Classroom 30, 5 West Main Street, Chicopee, MA 01013

Meeting was brought to order at 4:01 PM by Joshua Clark.

Historical Commission attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Joshua Clark, Chair	X		
Sandra Ross Vice Chair	X		
Linda Menard-Mruk Clerk	X		
Raymond Hoess-Brooks	X		

Planning Staff attendance:

Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Lee Pouliot, Director			X
James Dawson, Development Manager	X		
Patrick McKenna, Asst.			X
Nathan Moreau, Assoc. Planner			X

ITEM 1: Discussion Old/New Business

Notes:

- Commissioner Mruk asked Commissioner Clark to contact Mr. Jeff Cady of CEL to present the history of CEL at the October 8, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Clark agreed to contact Mr. Cady. Staff asked the Commissioners to provide confirmation of Mr. Cady's availability to do presentation so it could be included and posted on the October 8, 2019 agenda.
- Commissioner Hoess-Brooks asked if Commissioner Clark could provide an update about the possibility of an upcoming presentation from the Springfield Diocese pertaining to Holy Name Church. Commissioner Clark noted that he had tried to contact Mark Dupont on several occasions but has gotten no response. Commissioner Hoess-Brooks also inquired about the status of the St. Patrick's rectory on Broadway.
- Commissioner Hoess-Brooks asked if there was any updates on the Gaylord Mansion. Staff reported that there is no update at this time.
- Commissioner Clark noted that he will seek a legal opinion from the City Law Department on the formation of a Historical District Commission for the October 8, 2019 meeting.
- Commissioner Hoess-Brooks inquired about the procedure for applying to become a member of the Historical Commission as he knows an individual interested in serving on the Commission. Staff explained the procedure.
- Commissioner Clark proposed devoting an upcoming meeting to discuss goals and objectives of the Historical Commission, to formulate a plan and decide what the Commission can do to be helpful in the Community; meeting date to be determined.
- Commissioner Clark to provide Commission Members with a link to all the historic properties in the City.

- The Commissioners engaged in a discussion regarding project updates. The Commissioners would like follow-up bi-monthly updates on projects that they provide letters of support to. Regular updates will allow the Commissioners to answer questions posed by the public. Commissioners agreed that the updates can be in the form of a letter.

Motion to require all future endorsements by the Historical Commission be followed up by Bi-monthly updates on the endorsed project by the developer was made by Raymond Hoess-Brooks and seconded by Sandra Ross. Vote was 4-0 to accept the requirement of Bi-monthly updates on Historical Commission endorsed projects.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark, Chair	X			
Sandra Ross Vice Chair	X			
Linda Menard-Mruk Clerk	X			
Raymond Hoess-Brooks	X			

ITEM 2: Minutes from June 11, 2019 and August 8, 2019

June 11, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2019 was made by Sandra Ross and seconded by Linda Mruk. Vote was 4-0 to approve the minutes.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark, Chair	X			
Sandra Ross Vice Chair	X			
Linda Menard-Mruk Clerk	X			
Raymond Hoess-Brooks	X			

August 8, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2019 was made by Linda Mruk and seconded by Sandra Ross. Vote was 4-0 to approve the minutes.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark, Chair	X			
Sandra Ross Vice Chair	X			
Linda Menard-Mruk Clerk	X			
Raymond Hoess-Brooks	X			

ITEM 3: Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Joshua Clark and seconded by Raymond Hoess-Brooks. Vote was 4-0 to adjourn.

Member	Approve	Deny	Table	Abstain
Joshua Clark Chair	X			
Sandra Ross Vice Chair	X			
Linda Menard-Mruk Clerk	X			
Raymond Hoess-Brooks	X			

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 PM.

The next meeting of the Chicopee Historical Commission will be held at 4:00 PM, October 8, 2019 at the RiverMills Senior Center.